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FM AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

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INFO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

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AMEMBASSY GABORONE

AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

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AMEMBASSY LONDON

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SUBJ: FOOD RELIEF EFFORT IN ANGOLA

REF: GABORONE 1808

1. WITH REGARD TO FOOD RELIEF OPERATIONS REPORTED REFTTEL WE  
CONSIDER SAG IS INVOLVED AND MAY WELL BE PRIME MOVER IN PROJECT.  
WE BASE OUR CONCLUSION ON CORPORATE OWNERSHIP OF MANICA  
BOTSWANA.

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2. MANICA BOTSWANA (PTY) LTD. IS LISTED IN THE 1975 ANNUAL REPORT OF SAFMARINE (SOUTH AFRICAN MARINE CORPORATION LTD) AS WHOLLY-OWNED BY SAFMARINE BUT AS "INDIRECT INTEREST". FYI. IT HAS A 100 PERCENT "DIRECT INTEREST" IN MANICA HOLDINGS PTY LTD INCORPORATED IN SOUTH AFRICA WHICH WE ASSUME IS DIRECT OWNER OF MANICA BOTSWANA. END FYI. MANICA RHODESIA MENTIONED IN REFTTEL IS ALSO SHOWN AS 100 PERCENT INDIRECT SAFMARINE OWNERSHIP.

3. MAJORITY CONTROL OF SAFMARINE IS HELD BY THE SAG INSTRUMENTALITY THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (IDC) DESPITE FACT THAT SAFMARINE SHARES ARE QUOTED ON THE JOHANNESBURG STOCK EXCHANGE. HOWEVER WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE EXACT PERCENTAGE OF IDC MAJORITY OWNERSHIP.

4. ANOTHER INTERESTING POINT IS THAT SAFMARINE CONTROLS THE AIR FREIGHT OPERATOR SAFAIR WHICH HAS ABOUT TEN LOCKHEED L-100'S WITH MORE ON ORDER. THIS IS THE CIVIL AIR VERSION OF THE C-130.

5. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION ABOUT THE VANCOUVER-BASED PACIFIC WESTERN LINES BUT WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED AT A POSSIBLE LINK BETWEEN IT AND SAFAIR BECAUSE SAFAIR EXECUTIVES TRAVELED INTO THAT AREA EARLIER THIS YEAR IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHARTER OF SAFAIR L-100'S FOR WORK ON THE ALASKA PIPELINE.  
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